

## Big Bargains in Abundance in Our Advertising Columns To-Day.

### YAZOO RIVER RUNS UP STREAM.

NO OUTLET YET FOR THE FLOOD  
IN THE DELTA.

### THE MISSOURI RISING FAST.

A Mother at Mound Landing Sees Four  
of Her Children Swept Away  
by the Torrent.

The following changes in the river (in feet and tenths) have occurred:  
Rising—Cincinnati, 0.3; Louisville, 0.3; Nash-  
ville, 1.1; St. Louis, 0.1; Kansas City, 0.2;  
La. Crosse, 0.4; Dubuque, 0.7; Davenport,  
0.3; Vicksburg, 0.2; New Orleans, 0.1.  
Fallen—Cairo, 0.4; Chattanooga, 4.3; Hel-  
ena, Ark., 0.2; Arkansas City, 0.1; St. Paul,  
0.1; Memphis, 0.1.

The following heavy precipitation (in inches) was reported: Cairo, 1.0; Concordia,  
1.0; Paducah, Ky., 1.20.

The river at St. Louis will change but  
little for the next day or two.

The Missouri will continue to rise.

The upper Mississippi will change but  
little.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.  
GREENVILLE, April 8.—Gloomy tidings  
from the interior flooded districts continue  
to reach this city. A heart-rending incident  
was reported this morning. When the  
break occurred at Mound Landing a white  
woman with a baby in her arms and five  
small children following her were seen  
hurrying to reach the levee on the north  
side of the crevasse. Four of the children  
were caught by the madly-rushing torrent



AT WORK ON THE GREENVILLE LEVEE  
and swept out of sight in an instant. The  
mother with the other two were seen to  
reach the levee in safety. They were on  
the opposite side of the break from here,  
and, of course, could not be reached, as  
the current was rushing through the coun-  
try with irresistible force.

The iron bridge on the Valley road span-  
ning Bogus Phelia, near Helm's Station,  
twenty-five miles northeast of Greenville,  
gave way Tuesday morning. Some 200 head  
of stock were on the bridge at the time  
and all were lost.

Miles and miles of railroad track have  
been washed away, and there is no com-  
munication by rail from Clarksville in Cos-  
homa County south to Vicksburg, a dis-  
tance of nearly 200 miles. When provisions  
begin to grow scarce in the towns all  
along the railroad famine will ensue.



### ALONG THE DYKE AT GREENVILLE.

In many places, The Yazoo River, which  
is the only outlet for the flood in this  
delta, is running up stream from its mouth  
at Vicksburg to Tchula Lake in Holmes  
County, a distance of eighty miles. This  
is due to the excessive high stage of water  
in the Mississippi River. Many places are  
being overtopped from this cause alone.

At this point today the river has become  
stationary, notwithstanding the numerous  
crevasses above and below, and the water  
is still higher here than it was in 1892,  
when the high-water record was broken.

BISMARCK, S. D., April 8.—The water in  
the Missouri River has risen four feet  
since last night. A telegraph lineman  
came over this morning from Mandan in a  
row-boat and had great difficulty in making  
the trip, owing to the flowing ice. The boat  
landing erected by the Northern Pacific  
Railroad for the transfer of passengers, has  
been swept out and telegraph poles were  
lifted and swept away by the torrent. The  
water has broken through the dyke at  
Mandan and at Bismarck and at 8 o'clock  
this morning was running into the railroad  
round-house. The ice has gone out at Fort  
Tate, but is still solid at Glencoe, twenty  
miles down stream. No trains have arrived  
here from any direction since day before  
yesterday.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.  
CAIRO, Ill., April 8.—The heavy rains of  
the past twelve hours has raised the deep  
water in the city from Twentieth street  
south to the height of 1882, and is causing  
inconvenience in the houses that were not  
built up to grade. All the graded streets,  
however, are still several inches above wa-  
ter, and the factories, mills and lumber  
districts are running as usual. Preparations  
are being made to pump, but will  
not be completed for several days.  
A cloudburst is reported at Mayfield, Ky.

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### EDWIN HARRISON AND "NATIONAL DEMOCRATS."

The Phrase Was Used Solely as a Title and Not  
in Renunciation of the Candidate's Stanch  
Stand as a Free Silver Man.

In a signed statement given by me to some evening paper at its request,  
some days ago, I said that I expected the regular Democratic vote to receive  
accessions from both the Republicans and National Democrats. The use of  
this phrase by me has been commented upon by the Post-Dispatch as in-  
comprehensible and in itself sufficient to defeat me. If it had occurred to  
me that anybody could infer from my use of the title National Democrats  
that they belong to the regular Democratic party, I would have avoided the  
expression. But I am unable to understand how anybody could find anything  
to criticize in the use of that title in the connection and manner in which I  
used it.

First, the words were used solely as a title and were not intended to be  
descriptive in any other sense. They were used to indicate a certain political  
group in contradistinction to the other parties named. I spoke of accessions of  
National Democratic votes to the regular Democratic vote, thus differentiating  
the parties. Accessions are additions from the outside.

Further, at the time of writing the article, the fact that the self-styled  
National Democrats had been designated on the official ballot in this State  
as Palmer-Buckner Democrats had wholly escaped my memory. It is not un-  
common for Democrats to use the title just as I did. In the State of Illinois  
and elsewhere, if I remember rightly, that party was so designated on the  
official ballot. In short, my use of the title was not intended to have the  
significance which you have inferred.

Nor did I have in mind only the 400 or 500 persons who voted the Palmer-  
Buckner ticket in November. According to common report there were six  
or eight thousand persons who style themselves National Democrats, but  
who voted for McKinley. I had no thought of using the title loaded with any  
other significance than what would be necessary to differentiate the Indian-  
apolis party from the regular Democracy as defined by the Chicago platform.

As regards Democratic principles, I continue to stand just where I stood  
before as well as after the Kettle Springs and Chicago conventions. My  
views on the currency question are known to all men who have cared to  
know them. I have straddled nothing and would not renounce my principles  
for the Mayoralty, for which I cared too little to pay such a price. I cur-  
ried favor with no body of men outside of the Democratic party, but repelled  
neither Republican nor Palmer-Buckner Democrat when given assurances of  
support. I have been and I remain as independent of swerving influences as a  
wood-sawyer. I have not swerved one iota from my belief in the policy of  
free, unlimited and independent coinage of silver and gold at 16 to 1 and in  
the ability of the United States to re-establish bimetalism on that basis.  
During the campaign I stated to campaign audiences at various places and  
places that my views were so well known in that respect that they did not  
need repetition. Other speakers in the campaign, in my presence and else-  
where, repeatedly alluded to my Kettle Springs and other records on the sil-  
ver question. Such Republicans and Palmer-Buckner Democrats as cast their  
votes for me did so because they knew that I would not renounce or modify  
or suppress my convictions on the currency question or on any other question  
either for the Mayoralty or for any other consideration.

I concur with you in regard to the omission in the convention platform. It  
certainly should have indorsed the State and national platforms.

St. Louis, Mo., April 8.

EDWIN HARRISON.

### DIED OF FRIGHT.

Fear of the Lightning Killed Anna  
Moss, a Negress.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.  
SEDALIA, Mo., April 8.—Mrs. Anna Moss,  
a negress, aged 65 years, died last night of  
fright. She was caught in a storm in a  
thunder storm and ran along the streets  
shouting at every step, "Oh, Lord, save me."  
A hundred yards from her home she fell on  
the sidewalk and expired in a few minutes.  
Coroner Cowan examined the body and said  
that death had resulted from heart failure,  
caused by fright.

### THE IOWA'S RECORD.

She Earned \$200,000 Bonus for Her  
Builders.

BOSTON, Mass., April 8.—The battleship  
Iowa sailed today from her anchorage  
below Boston for Philadelphia. In her trial  
trip she made 17 knots per hour and earned  
\$200,000 for her builders.

### LOOTED THE SAFE.

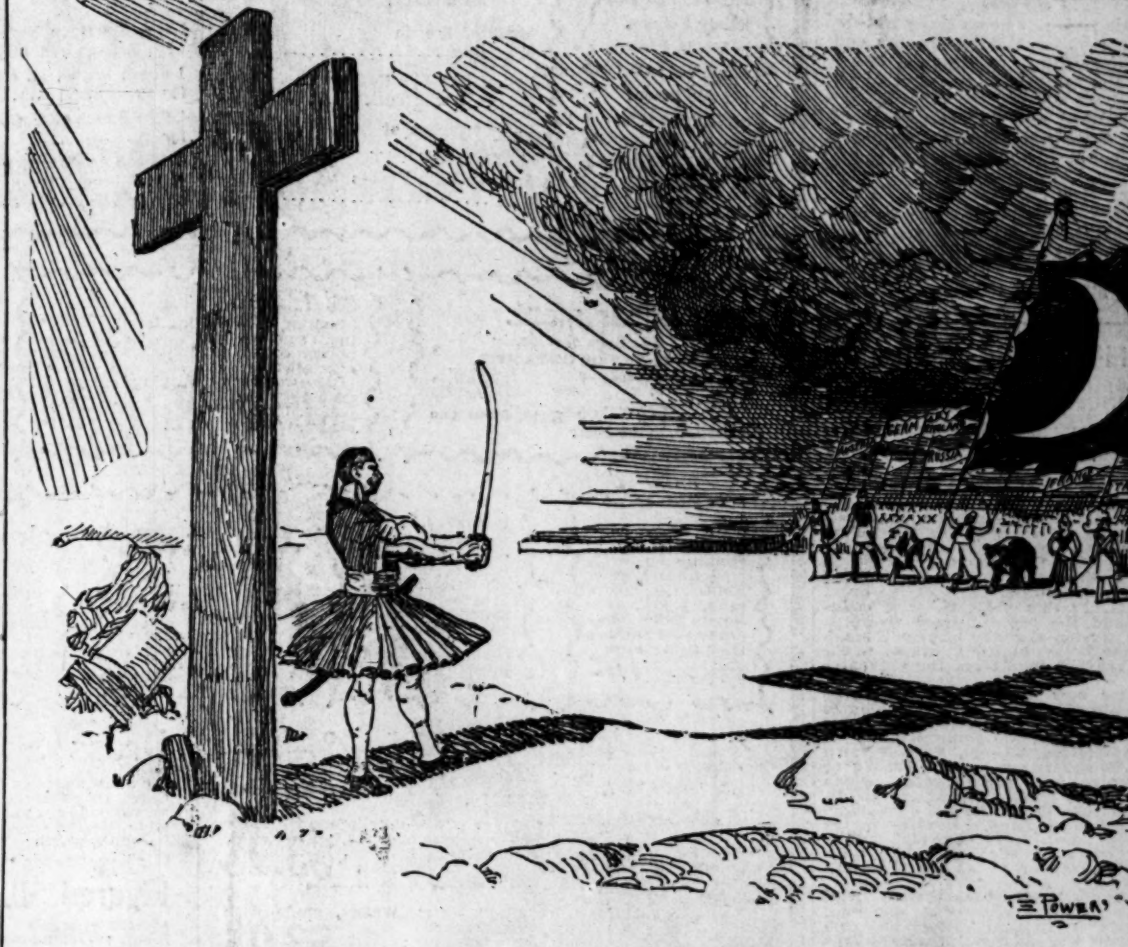
Masked Men Rob a Railroad Office in  
Indiana.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.  
LA PORTE, Ind., April 8.—Two masked  
men rode into the town of Mishawaka last  
night, and proceeding to the Chicago &  
Grand Trunk Depot, bound and gagged the  
night operator, after which the safe was  
looted. The amount secured is not known,  
but is believed to be large.

### Ex-Mayor Cregier Ill.

CHICAGO, Ill., April 8.—Ex-Mayor De-  
witt C. Cregier is lying dangerously ill at  
his home in this city. He is suffering from  
a complication of diseases and his recovery  
is doubtful. Last night he was resting a  
little easier than for several days. He  
is attended by a number of physicians, who  
have given out but little hope of his re-  
covery.

### THE CROSS AND THE CRESCENT AGAIN.



What a Pity Mohammed Died Too Soon to See All Europe Follow His Banner.  
Alone Greece stands, defender of the Cross—  
Protector of the followers of Him;  
Nor cares to count the chances of her loss.  
But faces fate, determined, steadfast,  
grim.  
What tho' opposed; beneath the Cres-  
cent's sway  
The countless armies of all Europe  
lure?  
The people who can boast Thermopylae  
But laugh to scorn the forces of the  
Turk.  
E'en tho' against the Cross there stands  
arrayed  
All Europe's force, lo! Greece may in  
Christ's name  
Face all with courage high and undis-  
mayed.  
Triumphant o'er the "Christian na-  
tions'" shame.  
Her cause is man's humanity to man.  
Her purpose that which moved the old  
crusades.  
Before the mighty Cross she scorns the  
ban  
Put on her by Mahomet and his aides.  
Oh, shame on "Christian" anti-Christian  
lands  
That truckle to commercial cries of  
greed  
And sanction bloody acts of Turkish  
bands.  
Yet hold relief to Christian men in need!  
Then be all praise to Greece, the only one  
Of all of Europe's nations who dares  
try  
To battle with the Turk! The strife's be-  
gun—  
May God to her send power from on  
high!  
N. A. J.

### IS A CHUM OF LITTLE COSETTE.

### ANOTHER 14-YEAR-OLD CHILD SWALLOWS POISON.

### SHE TOOK INSECT POWDER.

Latest Addition to the City Hospital  
Suicide Kindergarten Is a Very  
Naughty Girl.

Another little girl of warped mind and  
blunted moral sensibilities, the fourth with-  
in a few weeks, tried to kill herself  
Wednesday night.

As a result there is an accession to the  
kindergarten of perversity at the City Hos-  
pital.

The new name on Dr. Butler's list is that  
of Julia Sicking of 3500 South Tenth street.  
Though only 14 years old, Julia is so far  
developed as to spell her name Julia and  
wish to die.

She is a chum and an imitator of Lizzie  
McDonald, better known as "Little Co-  
sette," who shot herself six weeks ago.

When Little Cosette went to St. Vincent's  
School, Julia was in the same class. The  
children, both old beyond their years, were  
boon companions.

After Little Cosette left school the friend-  
ship was maintained, and the girls were  
together whenever Little Cosette could  
spare time from washing dishes and mending  
other people's babies.

They were separated for a time, while  
Little Cosette was battling with bees at the  
hospital. Julia was placed in a cot not far  
from her little friend Wednesday night.

Beyond the fact that both children tried  
to end their lives, there is little similarity  
between their cases.

Lizzie McDonald's good instincts were  
hampered and thwarted by unwholesome  
surroundings. The other girl, according to  
her own account, had a good home and the  
advantage of education and Christian train-  
ing.

Lizzie McDonald's dearest wish was to go  
to school and "learn things."  
Julia played truant from school because  
she did not want to study catechism.

In order to conceal her absence from  
school from her parents and explain it to  
her teachers, she lied to both, and when she  
feared she would be found out she "wanted  
to die."

After she tried to kill herself she lied some  
more.

Thursday evening Louis Lieberman, who  
lives next door to the Sicking, heard some-  
one calling his name in the yard. He went  
downstairs to see what was the matter and  
found Julia in a shed, apparently in  
agony.

"Go and tell my father I took poison. I  
want to die," sobbed Julia. Lieberman  
knew Julia well enough to think she was  
joking, until closer observation showed him  
she was really ill. He carried her upstairs  
to Mrs. Sicking, her stepmother, and went  
to the Souldier Street Police Station and  
called an ambulance.

The doctor worked with the child a long  
time at the City Dispensary. She was  
brought to the City Hospital, where she  
was placed in a ward, and told a pathetic story of cruel treat-  
ment at home and at school.

She said that while she was at school  
Wednesday Sister Lutenmiller beat her so  
severely that when she left school at 4  
o'clock she went to a drug store at Park  
avenue and Broadway and asked for a  
nickel's worth of rough-on-rats. The drug-  
gist gave her insect powder, but she thought  
it was rough-on-rats and took it home. She

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### DRAPER'S PLEA NOT GUILTY.

COL. DYER OUTLINES HIS CLIENT'S  
CASE.

IT WILL BE SELF-DEFENSE.

Army of Witnesses to Prove the Value  
of the Accused Man's  
Word.

When Charles L. Draper is arraigned at  
Jacksonville, Ill., charged with the murder  
of Charles L. Hastings on the night of  
March 31, the plea will be "not guilty."

There will be no invoking mercy of Judge  
or jurors; there will be no plea of insanity.  
This remarkable sequel to one of the most  
remarkable crimes was decided upon by  
Col. D. P. Dyer Thursday morning. The  
lawyer, who is not only Draper's attorney,  
but a friend of the family, left Jacksonville  
Wednesday two hours after the confession  
made by his client had been placed in the  
hands of the Rev. Dr. Morrey. Col. Dyer  
knew this confession was about to be made.

He favored its issuance, but did not urge  
it. Even after its publication he was cast-  
ing about as to the best course to pursue  
for his client. Thursday morning he out-  
lined the defense to a reporter for the Post-  
Dispatch and this is what he said:

"Draper has made no confession. Confes-  
sion in such a case implies guilt of murder,  
or forgers; there will be no plea of insanity.  
He has issued a statement, and every word  
of that statement is true.

"My client is not in the attitude of a man  
begging for mercy; he is not insane. He  
killed Hastings, but he killed him in self-  
defense, and the plea of not guilty may be  
predicated upon one of justifiable suicide.

"Now allow me to put before the public  
the facts in this remarkable case—for I  
pledge my word they are facts.

"Draper labored under the belief—an er-  
roneous belief, I know—that he had a right  
in Judge Kirby's office. For seventeen  
years he had toiled at that office, and he  
was discharged through no fault of his own.  
He brooded over the wrong done him, and  
did not rest until he had obtained a full  
abstract of his own life history, and a full  
abstract of those records in Judge Kirby's vault  
that were creatures of his labor. He reason-  
ed that he had a right to see those records,  
and finally, laboring under this erroneous  
belief, he visited Judge Kirby's office—not  
to steal, nor as a burglar, but as a father  
might to look at a child that had been  
wrongfully taken from him.

Soon Judge Kirby learned his vault was  
being tampered with. A watch was set by  
the authorities, but it proved fruitless. Then  
Hastings went on guard.

"On the night of March 31 my client  
wished to consult a record, and again vis-  
ited Judge Kirby's office. He carried a  
lantern and was peering over a document  
when he heard a step in the hall. He  
extinguished the light and waited. The door  
opened, but he could not see a form,  
it was so dark.

"The person who had come into the office  
struck a match, and by the flare of light  
saw Charles L. Hastings, his enemy, the  
man who had remained in the employ of  
Judge Kirby.

"Ah, now I have you!" exclaimed Hast-  
ings, and dropping the match, he started  
toward Draper. The latter tried to escape  
by a rear door, but Hastings was on him,  
and in a moment had borne him to the  
floor. The men were unequally matched,  
the assailant being the heavier and the  
stronger. Draper felt himself being choked,  
in fear of death he seized a pen knife and  
cut and cut, then stabbed and stabbed, and  
finally Hastings ceased to breathe.

"Around the room, inside and outside the  
hall, the struggle continued, lasting fully  
twenty minutes.

Col. Dyer was interrupted at this point  
by a reporter, who asked why Draper  
showed no marks of violence after such a  
combat.

"I was about to explain that," the lawyer  
resumed. "When Hastings sprang upon  
Draper his hands closed around the in-  
truder's neck. Draper, guided by the in-  
stinct of self-preservation, hacked away  
at the wrists and severed the arteries.  
That rendered Hastings powerless so far  
as choking his enemy was concerned. But  
he threw his arms around Draper and  
hugged him with the strength of a bear.  
It was as if those arms were stumps bleed-  
ing at the wrists. They were powerful, but  
the fingers could not work. This Draper  
did not know, and so with the blood-  
spurring arms around him he stabbed and  
cut, hewing at his enemy in self-defense.

Finally Hastings ceased to breathe. He  
was dead. Draper went home, knowing  
he had killed him.

"When I saw Draper in jail last Saturday  
he told me this story, just as I have told it  
to you. I knew that he was telling the  
truth. I perfectly understand the chain of  
reasoning that led him to act as he did. I  
did not repeat his statement, even to an  
associate counsel. I returned to St. Louis  
and argued the matter with myself, completely  
at a loss to know how to proceed in justice  
to my client and my friends, for all the  
Drapers are old associates.

"Here was a man caught practically in  
the act of burglary and a death had re-  
sulted. How would a jury view this? I  
my client tried to commit suicide. He  
wished to save his relatives the disgrace and  
 vexation of a trial. He did not try to  
kill himself because he had done murder  
and feared the gallows.

"I returned to Jacksonville and Draper  
said he would not attempt his own life  
again. His relatives had promised to stick  
by him. They have lined up shoulder to  
shoulder and will fight to the end.

"Still, I was in doubt how to act. To-  
day, however, I have decided.

"Shall my client be hanged he will go to  
the gallows cheerfully, knowing that he  
has told the truth and nothing but the  
truth.

"Our defense shall be this and nothing  
more—that Draper tells the truth. He will  
tell the story of that terrible fight on the  
witness stand. Then I will march up an  
army of witnesses who will testify that my  
client is truthful, honorable and upright.  
The honor and integrity of the Draper fam-  
ily will be brought to the jury's attention.  
Let us glance back a bit and see what that  
family is and was.

"The Drapers first came to Missouri in  
1828. Three brothers, Edwin, Philander and  
Daniel, settled in Louisiana and went into  
business as merchants. They were natives  
of South Carolina, but when the war broke  
out they sided with the Union. Philander,  
though above the age, enlisted in the army.  
His son, Daniel, joined the Missouri mil-  
itia, became Lieutenant-Colonel of the  
10th Missouri Cavalry, and later a Brig-  
adier-General. After the war he served two  
terms as Auditor of State. He is now with  
the Denver & Rio Grande Railroad.

"A son of Daniel Draper, Henry by name,  
had an equally illustrious career. He is now  
and has been for some time Chief Engineer  
of the Chicago & Alton Railroad.

"The daughters of Philander live at Loui-  
siana, where they are respected and loved  
by all.

"Edwin Draper had two children—Charles  
L. and Susan May. No woman is better  
known or more respected in that city of  
culture, Jacksonville, than Susan Draper.

"Charles L. was for a long time clerk of  
the Court of Common Pleas at Louisiana.

### "LONG PIG."

Natives of the New Hebrides Feasted  
on a White Man Whom They  
Stuffed and Fattened.

VICTORIA, British Columbia, April 7.—  
Australian advices state that Mr. S. Dun-  
can, a white trader, who reached Sydney  
from South Africa last year, met his death  
in a very painful way while trading with  
natives of New Hebrides. He was tied up  
to one of the trees three days, being kept  
alive and forcibly stuffed with food. He  
was then cut down, killed and eaten, women  
even joining joyfully in the cannibalistic  
feast. There was a great assemblage from  
various groups of islands. Duncan, it  
appears, was a single man, about 33 years  
of age. He was a peaceable man and his  
friends at Sydney say that he would not  
saw his revolver on any account. From  
one who knew the New Hebrides has been  
lected the information that the natives  
are very treacherous, they having on several  
occasions dealt murderously with European  
assails.

### THE WEATHER FORECAST.

FAIR; STATIONARY.

St. Louis and Vicinity—Clearing Thursday  
morning; generally fair Thursday night and  
Friday. Little change in temperature.  
Missouri—Showers Thursday night; cooler in  
the portion; Friday generally fair.  
Illinois—Rain Thursday afternoon and night;  
Friday partly cloudy; stationary temperature.

### ST-DISPATCH THERMOMETER.

4 A. M. .... 44 11 A. M. .... 58  
6 A. M. .... 46 12 M. .... 62  
7 A. M. .... 48 1 P. M. .... 64  
8 A. M. .... 50 2 P. M. .... 66



and later moved to Jacksonville, Ill., where he is connected by blood and marriage with some of the best families, notably Dr. Hiram K. Jones, one of the leaders in his profession.

"All of these prominent persons will be marshaled in behalf of Charles L. Draper to prove that he speaks truthfully.

"You may say that all of Pike County to a man will go to Jacksonville if the charge is true to clear my client of the charge of murder."

#### DRAPER'S CONFESSION.

#### Description of His Deadly Night Struggle With Hastings.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

JACKSONVILLE, Ill., April 3.—Charles L. Draper, after consultation with his pastor, Rev. A. B. Morey, and his counsel, Col. D. P. Dyer and Judge O. P. Thompson, decided on Wednesday to make a clean breast of the killing of Chas. Hastings on the night of March 31 last. Draper is in a peculiar frame of mind. He and Hastings were enemies and he probably has few compunctions about the killing. But he suffers keenly from the stigma of being a murderer. He is a full, true and perfect statement of the facts and circumstances that led to the death of Chas. Hastings on the evening of March 31 last.

Following is Draper's confession in full: To the Rev. Dr. Morey, pastor of State Street Presbyterian Church—My Dear Sir: I am your pastor and spiritual adviser. I desire to make to you and through you to the congregation of Morgan County, Illinois, a full, true and perfect statement of the facts and circumstances that led to the death of Chas. Hastings on the evening of March 31 last.

In the fall of 1885 I entered the service of Judge Kirby, a friend of mine, in the abstract office in the city of Jacksonville, Ill., and continued in his service until the first of January, 1886. My law service in the office I became familiar with the business of the office and the methods of conducting the same.

On the evening of the 31st of March I entered the office of Judge Kirby between 8 and 9 o'clock. When I entered the office there was no one there. I had with me at the time an unlighted lantern, which I lighted after getting in the office. I knew the combination of the vault and had opened it and took a book therefrom and placed it on a desk next to the vault. I had barely opened the book when I heard a noise at the front door. When I heard the noise I started to the door and extinguished the light of the lantern.

I started to the front, to the room leading to the closet. When Hastings opened the door that led from the hall to the abstract office I had not been able to reach the door of my room. Hastings entered the room at this time it was very dark in the room and no object was visible except the light of the lantern which he struck a match and the light from it enabled him to see me for a moment.

He called me by name and rushed upon me and seized me. I had on my overcoat at the time when he seized me and he took the knife which I was holding in my right hand. He then turned and went to the door and opened it and looked out. He then returned and stood in the doorway and looked at me. He then turned and went to the door and opened it and looked out. He then returned and stood in the doorway and looked at me.

I remained in my office for some time, how long I cannot state. While there I discovered some blood on my overcoat. When I left the office started to my home, crossed the street and went down the alley by the back of Morgan street, and from there went to Church street, thence south to College avenue, or what is known as the Brown lot in the corner of Church street and College avenue.

It was very dark. I stumbled into what seemed to be a man and on leaving him I went into said hole the lantern I had used. It will be found there now. From there I went on College avenue to Kosciuszko street, and thence to my home.

I entered the house by the front door, leaving my overcoat outside, and then took off my overcoat and placed it on a chair in the dining-room. I then went upstairs and found my wife and daughter in bed and asleep. I avoided making a noise so as not to disturb either of them. I moved all of my clothing and put it in a night shirt and went to bed on a lounge where I usually sleep, in the same room with my wife.

I arose about 5:30 in the morning and put on fresh clothing, including shirt, drawers, socks, vest and handkerchiefs. After discovering in the morning that the clothing I had worn the night before had blood on them I took them, together with the overcoat, downstairs to the furnace room and put them in the furnace, where they were destroyed.

I afterwards discovered blood stains on my pants, coat and hat. I tried to wash these stains out, and in doing so the water went through to the underclothing I had on when I was arrested.

The keys I had to Judge Kirby's office can be found in the furnace room at my house, on the wall next to the cold-air duct in the northwest corner of the furnace room.

Any statements made by me at the Coroner's inquest or elsewhere are untrue, so far as they conflict with this statement.

I had no right to be in Judge Kirby's office at the time, and I do not seek to be in the slightest, and but for my knowledge of this wrongful entering to the office would have left it before I was arrested.

#### RAIN IN THE SOUTH.

Mississippi at and Above St. Louis Will Not Be Affected.

"This rain will not swell the Mississippi here to any appreciable extent," said observer Frankenkfield Thursday morning, "for it is only heavy south of us. It means more trouble for those below, however."

I look for clearing weather Thursday night, and clear and cold Friday.

"The Missouri is steadily rising. It is within 8 ft. of a foot of the danger line at Kansas City, and warnings have been sent to points between that place and Booneville."

ANOTHER BENCH SHOW.

Women's Humane Society Will Hold One Next Month.

The Women's Humane Society met Thursday afternoon at the Lindell Hotel to make preliminary arrangements for a big dog show, that will be held next month under the society's auspices.

#### SPAIN DENIES IT.

The Government Says There Is No Revolt in Porto Rico.

MADRID, April 3.—An official denial has been issued to the report that a revolt against the Spanish Government has broken out in the island of Porto Rico.

#### ONE OF TWO WAYS.

The bladder was created for one purpose, namely, a receptacle for the urine, and as such it is not liable to any form of disease except by one of two ways. The first way is from imperfect action of the kidneys. The second way is from careless local treatment of other diseases.

#### CHIEF CAUSE.

Unhealthy urine from unhealthy kidneys is the chief cause of bladder troubles and suffering so painful to many that life is made miserable. The womb, like the bladder, was created for one purpose, and if left alone it is not liable to become diseased, except in rare cases. When in position the womb is situated back of and very close to the bladder, and for that reason any distress, disease or inconvenience manifested in the kidneys, back, bladder or urinary passages is often by mistake attributed to female weakness or womb trouble of some sort. The error is easily made and may be as easily avoided by paying a little attention to the condition of the urine (see pamphlet). The mild and the extraordinary effect of Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney, liver and bladder remedy is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures. If you need a medicine you should have the best. At druggists fifty cents and one dollar. You may have a sample bottle and pamphlet, both sent free by mail. Mention the St. Louis Post-Dispatch, and send your address to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. The proprietors of this paper guarantee the genuineness of this offer.

#### YAZOO RIVER RUNS UP STREAM.

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this morning, but with little damage to property.

VICKSBURG, Miss., April 3.—The rise is increasing in the Yazoo River at Yazoo City, about twenty-five miles from Vicksburg. This is a tributary of the Mississippi and is the outlet of all the water rushing through the levee breaks on the Mississippi side of the Mississippi River, devastating the valuable and fertile lands of the great Yazoo basin. At this point the rise is increasing, and the best-informed rivermen are of the opinion that the river will reach not less than 32 feet on the gauge when the water all reaches here from the crevasses above.

The water now devastating the Yazoo basin has already commenced returning to the Mississippi River, and it is but reasonable to presume that the result will be the same as at Helena. The St. Francis basin contains 6,700 square miles, while the Yazoo basin contains 6,600 square miles, which would make the relative conditions identical, but to this the water of about 1,900 square miles of overflooded country in the White River basin is added, and the water coming from the Yazoo basin, increasing the outpour to an alarming extent.

The Arkansas levees, from the mouth of the Arkansas River down, are holding well, but the water from White River will certainly reach the Mississippi rise above Vicksburg.

The water from the breaks in the Mississippi levees is fast inundating many little islands in the Yazoo delta, causing incalculable loss to stock, crops and property. Green Bay, La., is holding and the protection levee in the rear is doing its work well, keeping out the backwater.

The fine double-arch iron bridge over the Bogus Phalia belonging to the Yazoo and Valley Railroad, which spans the river, is holding and the water is running through trains when the water goes down. The master of motive power of the Yazoo and Mississippi Valley Railroad shops here, employing 300 men, received instructions to close the works, which was done.

NEW ORLEANS, La., April 4.—The flood wave has reached the outlet of the Yazoo basin, but found the reports regarding damage from back-water in the Mississippi to be correct. This water backs up through a gap six miles wide between the Arkansas River levee and the Mississippi River levees at the head of the latter system. The mouth of the Arkansas and the Mississippi is near this point, and when the Mississippi is on the rampage the water from these two rivers begins to run through this gap overflowing considerable territory.

In 1885, before the Mississippi system was extended, the water ran around the mouth of the Mississippi River levee and merged this city to a depth of twelve feet. Since 1885 the system has been extended five miles further, known as the Amos Bay levee, where the crevasse occurred some weeks ago, but notwithstanding this the water has backed in through the gap a distance never before known, overflowing lands in that part of the country never known to go under, even when the Arkansas River levee gave way.

Red Fork is entirely under water, with timber of plantations remain under water between Red Fork and Medford. The water covers the lands in the rear of the nearly as far back as Winchester and Nut Lake, on the main line of the Iron Mountain Railroad, and has succeeded in spring over about 30 acres of fine land on Blakemore place at Medford.

It is now conceded beyond doubt that the two-thirds of Desha County is under water, though it is believed it will disappear in time for the farmers to plant the rice on most of the lands mentioned being from six inches to not over two feet, river and backwater at this place stationary.

LEAVENWORTH, Kan., April 3.—River is within five feet of the flood of and still rising steadily, having come in inches since yesterday. The stage is 15 feet above low water mark and fast approaching the danger line. Several farms in the bottom lands are moving, and lands are being flooded. The Burlington road has a large gang of men laying track at Burnes' Lake, five miles or so where the river is cutting under large trunks of the road-bed.

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### RECORD-BREAKING BARGAINS FOR FRIDAY

<b>Hat Special.</b> 1,000 Rough and Ready Sailors, in black, brown, navy, red, purple and green, as long as they last. <b>25c</b>	<b>A 19c Flower Sale</b> That will be the Talk of every Lady is one of our many Specials for Friday. Imported French Moutures.....19c Velvet and Silk Roses with foliage, 3 in a bunch.....19c Large bunches of Jonquills.....19c 6 dozen Satin Violets for.....19c	<b>Veiling Special.</b> 30 pieces White and 20 pieces black 18-inch All-Silk Cheongsam Spot Tuxedo Veiling—regular price 30c per yard—Friday per yard.....15c
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<b>Cap Department.</b> 50c Caps for 25c. 30 dozen Cloth Tuxedo Shanters, with patent leather trimmings.....25c Children's School Hats, from the cheapest to the best.....25c	<b>500 Trimmed Hats.</b> The best values ever offered in all the city. Check Dress Suits, all lined and newest colorings.....\$1.75 100 dozen elegant Walking Hats, with trimmed veils and bands, the newest shape, worth \$1.00.....50c	<b>Ribbon Bargain.</b> Over 1000 pieces of fine Moltre Taffeta fancy stripe Plaid and all the newest effects in every color, worth 50c and 40c, for Friday only.....24c 100 pieces No. 12 All-Silk Satin Ribbon, in all colors, yards.....5c
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<b>Gloves.</b> 500 doz Ladies' genuine Foster 7-finger finest French Kid Gloves, French tans, black, brown and mode—never sold for less than \$1.25 pair.....75c	<b>Umbrellas.</b> 100 24-inch Silk Gloria Umbrellas, with Sterling Silver Top and Crook Handles, Steel Rod, regular price \$1.00, Friday.....98c	<b>Special.</b> 100 Ladies' Santol Tooth Wash, for Friday.....25c 2000 large bars Imported Green Castles of the soap, regular price 40c, Friday.....19c
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<b>Silk Waists.</b> A lot of Fancy silk Waists, made with new crease, lace trimming in front, beautiful new Spring shades; worth \$3.50.....\$3.98 New Plain Silk Shirt Waists, made with pleated back, correct sleeve, detached laundered collar; worth \$6.00.....\$3.95	<b>Dress Skirts.</b> We place on sale a new lot of Fancy Check Dress Skirts, all lined and velvet bound, 4 yards wide, perfect shape, worth \$4.50.....\$1.45 Figured Silk Skirt. 4 yards wide, all lined, velvet bound, perfect hanging; worth \$7.00.....\$3.49
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<b>Jackets Capes.</b> Ladies' new fly front Jackets, half silk lined, tan, green, heliotrope, black and cadet blue—worth \$6.50.....\$3.45 A flyer in Circular Shoulder Capes, figured silk; lace and ribbon trimmed, worth \$3.....\$1.48 Beautiful Silk Capes, Silk lined, empire style, lace and ribbon trimmed worth \$7.50.....\$3.75	<b>Children's Jackets.</b> A lot of odds and ends in Children's Jackets, all kinds, all colors; sizes 2 to 10, former price \$1.25 to \$3.00, to close.....50c New style Pleated Empire Child's Jackets, large sailor collars, worth \$3.00.....\$1.75	<b>Ladies' Suits.</b> A lot of all-wool Serge Eton suits, silk-lined Eton Jackets and all-lined Skirt, large sailor collar worth \$10.00.....\$3.98	<b>Wrappers.</b> A lot of Nobby Combination Indigo Blue Wrappers—wide skirts, waist back, braided trimmings, the value of which are made of plain blue Chambray—this is a wrapper worth \$1.25.....79c
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Blackberry Brandy, quart bottle.....35c	Imperial, rich, per pound.....25c
Robertson County Whisky, 1891, quart bottle.....70c	Imperial, fine flavor, per pound.....40c
Bouquet Cigars, fine flavor, per box.....75c	Tur Mixed Tea, best to be had, at 40c
	T. Dust, 1 pound package.....10c

### AGENTS FOR "HE-NO TEA" SHIPMENT JUST IN.

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### A CHUM OF LITTLE COSETTE.

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waited until midnight and went into the shed, where she swallowed a teaspoonful of the powder. She had no idea of the danger she was in.

The true story is different. Julia had not been to school for two weeks. She concealed the facts from her parents and wore a wonderful falsehood to prevent her teachers from reporting her absence. She wrote this letter herself and sent it to her teacher: "Sister Ludmilla: Please excuse Julia. She has had to stay home for a week because she is sick. Yours truly, Julia."

Every morning after that Julia would leave home for school, but would go to the home of Mrs. Decker, half a block away, and remain all day. She told Mrs. Decker she was staying away from school with the consent of her parents.

When she had returned away from school a week later Ludmilla became suspicious and remarked to the mother of the boy and she intended going to the Stinkings' home to see what was the matter.

Wednesday afternoon Julia saw her step-mother pass Mrs. Decker's home and go to the school.

Ten minutes later Julia was on the way to the drug store. A Post-Dispatch reporter called at the sickening home Thursday morning. Mrs. Decker had seven children to look after, but is kindly despite her cares. She declared she was not admitted to the house and the neighbors bear her out in the statement.

St. Vincent's School Sister Ludmilla told of Julia's long absence, following a slight correction. She said she had hit Julia over the palm of her hands with a ruler, but had never beaten her about the body.

Julia was much better Thursday morning. She will be taken home Friday.

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<b>SILKS.</b> 7-inch Linen colored Pongee Wash Silks, colored.....21c Stripes, worth 30c.....21c New crepe finish washable Habutai Silks, in white, black and all shades; per yard.....25c	<b>RIBBON BARGAINS.</b> This is only a sample. No. 12 2-inch All-Silk Batin Gros Grain, lined, worth 50c by others as a bargain at 10c a yard; Friday, per yard.....5c 15-inch Laid Cloth.....25c 15-inch Laid Canvas.....25c
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<b>BLACK GOODS—BARGAINS.</b> 50 pieces high-class Novelty Suitings and plain weaves, stripes, polka dots, Argyle, etc., in tan, black and navy blue. Cane Cloth, 46-inch fine French Serge, Slaughter Price Friday, per yard.....48c	<b>GLAZING.</b> 12x18 Fancy Black Back Waist.....85c 12x18 Fancy Black Back Waist.....85c 12x18 Fancy Black Back Waist.....85c
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<b>COLORS DRESS GOODS.</b> Special Sale of Remnants and Skirt Lengths. 4-yard lengths of Colored Mohair Poplin.....50c 4-yard lengths of All-Wool Cheviot Checks.....95c 4-yard lengths of All-Wool 46-inch French Serge.....\$1.40 4-yard lengths of All-Wool Checks and Suitings.....\$1.95 All Remnants to be Sold at a Great Reduction.	<b>Muslin Underwear—Corsets.</b> Women's well made and perfect fitting worth 60c.....35c Ladies' fine Cambric, Bishop and Empire Corsets, usually sold at \$1 pair; Friday, special price.....75c Lot Black Silk Taffeta Gloves, regular \$2.50 value; Friday Price.....21c
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<b>WHITE GOODS DEPARTMENT</b> 10 pieces extra good quality white check, fold dimities in striped and checked, worth from 12c to 18c yard; choice of this lot, yard.....11c	<b>MEN'S FURNISHINGS.</b> Nothing like this Bargain ever offered before. Men's Night Shirts, very superior, full cut, pearl buttons, faded seams, perfect fitting, same as offered by other houses at wonderful bargains.....35c At 50c. Our Price.....35c
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<b>BASEMENT SALESROOM.</b> Lot new Prints, all the popular up-to-date styles, worth 75c; Friday only, worth.....4c 2 cases splendid Sea Island unbleached Muslin, full yard wide, worth 5c; Friday.....3c	<b>HOSIERY.</b> A sample of the attractions offered in this Dept. Ladies' Fine Black and Tan Hosiery, full cut, pearl buttons, faded seams, perfect fitting, same as offered by other houses at wonderful bargains.....35c At 50c. Our Price.....35c
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<b>NOTIONS.</b> Money savers in necessary articles. Stockinet Dress Shields, worth 10c.....5c Cotton Purse, in tan, black and navy blue, worth 15c.....10c Polished, solid wood-back Hairbrush, with very good bristles, worth 25c; Friday, easily worth 25c.....19c	<b>LACES! LACES!</b> Lot Clifton Laces, 4 and 5 inches wide, light colors, worth 20c.....10c Another big scoop in Laces—4 to 10-inch Oriental Laces, worth 15c.....10c At 50c. Our Price.....10c
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### DEATHS.

CARIEL—Suddenly at Bethesda Home at 7 a. m. Thursday, April 3, 1897, aged 64 years.

Member of Initial Lodge No. 1, K. and L. of H. Due notice of funeral.

CURRY—On Wednesday, April 2, at 12 m. Patrick Curry, beloved husband of Mary Curry, nee Skahill, and father of Mary, Bridget, Winifred and James Curry and Mrs. John Fox.

Funeral will take place from family residence, No. 713 South Fourth street, on Friday, April 3, at 1 p. m., to Assumption Church, thence to St. Mary's.

WEISMANTHEL—On Wednesday, April 2, at 11 p. m. Kate Weismantel, nee Dehr, beloved wife of Valentine A. Weismantel, aged 52 years.

Funeral will take place from family residence, No. 300 East Cass street, on Saturday, April 4, at 9 a. m., to St. Mary's Church, thence to Calvary cemetery. Friends are invited to attend.

TIEMEYER—On Wednesday, April 2, at 11 a. m. Mrs. Gertrude M. Tiemeyer, relict of the late John C. Tiemeyer, aged 78, beloved mother of Mrs. Joseph Schlegel and Mrs. H. J. Gausel.

Funeral at 1230 a. m. Friday, April 3, from the residence of her daughter, 17 Longfellow boulevard, to St. Henry's Church, thence to Calvary cemetery. Friends are invited to attend.

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RENSTOWN, Pa. April 2.—Arrived:  
 Annie from New York for Liverpool.  
 VERPOOL, April 2.—Arrived: Penn-  
 Philadelphia.  
 LASGOW, April 2.—Arrived: Sarama-  
 Boston.

Funeral will take place from family residence, No. 713 South Fourth street, on Friday, April 3, at 2 p. m., to Assumption Church, thence to Mount















# THE COMMITTEE'S MISDEEDS

DEMOCRATIC EXECUTIVE BODY MOVES TOO SLOWLY. PLANS FOR REORGANIZATION.

The Precinct Committeemen Will Elect a New Executive Board Next Month.

Now that the election is over, the Democratic leaders, or at least those who have been placed at the head of the regular Democratic organization, are discussing the election of a new City Executive Committee by the Precinct Committeemen on May 4.

The almost unanimous opinion is that an Executive Committee of sixty-five members is entirely too large and unwieldy to do effective work. During the campaign, when every one was supposed to have the welfare of the party at heart, it was impossible to secure a legal quorum at many meetings of the committee.

One grave mistake made in the reorganization of the local Democracy by the State Committee was in failing to make an official report on a set of rules governing the Executive Committee, and also the Precinct Committeemen.

Therefore, Chairman Devoy and other leaders favor calling a mass convention of all the 436 Precinct Committeemen, to be held in one hall some time after May 4, for the purpose of formulating a set of rules to be followed in the proceedings of the Executive Committee and in the meetings of the ward precinct organizations.

It was well known, said an old committeeman, "that the members who were punctual and constant in their attendance at committee meetings were those who had been members of the old City Committee of twenty-eight, and the new members, many of whom were drawn from the ranks of the supposed better elements, were often delinquent in their duty and did not attend the meetings."

"The effect was that important campaign business, which demanded immediate attention, was often delayed when delays were extremely dangerous. Then, the lack of attendance at committee meetings created an impression that apathy trickled down through the rank and file of the party."

While it is generally believed that the City Executive Committee is too large to transact business expeditiously, there is a way of decreasing the number, except by calling upon the State Committee for another reorganization, and majority of the leaders hesitate to take that course.

"I am ready to step down and out when the new Executive Committee is elected on May 4," said Chairman Devoy to a Post-Dispatch man Friday morning. "I am being blamed for the management of the campaign, and the Chairman of the Executive Committee is willing to stand a large amount of blame, but I am not willing to stand all the blame, and if I am to be censured unjustly I may be compelled, in justice to the party, to resign. I have no inside facts which have hitherto been held as a secret from the public."

Asked to specify the "inside facts," Col. Devoy replied: "No, I have nothing more to say on this subject at present."

Asked in regard to the effect of another reorganization of the City Committee Chairman Devoy said:

"Well, we have just had one reorganization, and it seems rather early to be calling for another. But I say that the Executive Committee of sixty-five is too cumbersome to do the work as it should be done. When Chairman Cook and the State Committee were here reorganizing the party last winter, before the election, I stated that I believed the old committee of twenty-eight members was large enough as an executive body, but that the State Committee should have enlarged the central body to sixty-five members, called the Executive Committee, and prepared for it to be elected on May 4 by the precinct committeemen that was to be elected at primary mass meetings."

"Of course, the present Executive Committee includes the twenty-eight old City Committeemen and those appointed by the State Sub-committee."

"But the Executive Committee of Sixty-five has proved too unwieldy to do quick and effective work. There are now two members from each ward. In many instances the two members from a ward could not agree on certain matters, and then there was a serious clash. The result was a lack of harmony."

"A serious obstacle was in securing a quorum at the meetings of the Executive Committee. I do not believe there was a single meeting when all the sixty-five members were present. It was very hard work to get thirty-three members to attend a meeting and make a decision on any matter."

"What are we going to do about it? Well, something must be done. The Executive Committee must be reorganized. The new Executive Committee, elected on May 4, must be in favor of calling a mass convention of all the precinct committeemen and let them promulgate a set of rules to govern their own proceedings and those of the Executive Committee. The State Committee gave us no rules to govern our proceedings."

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"The best way out of the difficulty is, I believe, to hold a mass convention of the Precinct Committeemen and let them adopt a full set of rules as to how vacancies in the precinct organizations and in the Executive Committee are to be filled, and as to the exact authority of the two different sets of committeemen."

While the regular Democrats are discussing a reorganization, or rather a rehabilitation of the City Central Committee, the Meriwether people are considering the very same thing.

Meriwether and his campaign managers, Sterling P. Bond and Walter Vroom, recognize that they are outside the regular party organization. They appear to know that the Meriwether faction, after the second election, will not call upon the State Committee for another reorganization of the party in St. Louis, but they will keep up the attempt to capture the primaries, when the new precinct committeemen are to be elected, to that end.

"Democratic precinct clubs will be organized in every precinct in the city by my friends," said Meriwether Thursday. "Headquarters for precinct clubs have been set up in the city."

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Skirts. Separate Dress Skirts at \$3.98, worth \$7.50.

We have received in the last few days 100 beautiful Basket Weave Skirts. They come in a variety of three toned effects, correctly made, lined and bound. We bought them to sell for \$7.50, but for only \$3.98. This price is for Friday only.

Jackets. Tailor-made. Colors, tan, blue and black, for \$3.98. We will sell Friday splendid Covert Jackets, manufactured in the latest style. They are positively worth \$5.75, but to show you what a bargain is we say \$3.98. Friday only.

Suits. Ready to wear, tailor-made Suits. Ladies' stylish Cutaway Suit, skirt lined throughout and velvet bound; coat half silk lined and trimmed with combination serge and fancy cord, made of stylish checks in fancy brown and tan effects; very attractive. Good value for \$12.50. For Friday only, as long as they last. \$6.75.

Silk Shirt Waists. We have just received a lot of ladies' Foulard Silk Shirt Waists. They come in the latest patterns and shades, with detachable collar and fitted lining. A great bargain at \$4.50. All go Friday for \$2.98.

Silk Capes. Friday we will sell \$6.00 Capes for \$3.95; 100 handsome Silk Capes, lined with changeable silk, trimmed with lace, ribbon and jet. A bargain for \$5. One of our greatest. Friday for only \$3.95.

CLOTHS. Three very interesting items for Friday only. FLANNELS. Special values at very special prices.

37-inch Black and White Plaid Duck Suiting, the latest for \$1.00. 54-inch All-wool Spring Cloaking, our regular \$1.25 quality, for 83c. 50 pieces Striped Outing Flannels, in light and dark colors, for 5c.

White Steel Enamelled Genuine Granite Ironware, Friday. At 10 Cents on the Dollar. 25c.

White Enamelled Steel Coffee Pots, 8 1/2 pint size, regular price, \$1.25; Friday, 19c.

White Enamelled Steel Lipped Sauce Pans, 14 1/2 pint size, regular price, \$1.75; Friday, 25c.

Granite Iron Pudding Pans, 6-quart size, regular price, 40c; Friday, 10c.

Granite Iron Milk Pans, 6-quart size, regular price, 50c; Friday, 7c.

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FRIDAY A SURPRISE SALE OF DINNER SETS.

We will have on sale Friday 2600 Dinner Sets, purchased at such prices that we can sell them at about half former prices. Never again will such values ever be offered in St. Louis in Imported Dinner Sets. NOTE—These prices will hold good long as the goods last.

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20 beautiful Haviland China Dinner Sets, with Haviland's latest shapes, and their richest decorations, all complete, sets of 112 pieces, imported to sell for \$5 and \$6; while this lot lasts, your choice for Monday, \$27.00.

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Finest quality imported Porcelain, new-shape Dinner Sets, with the latest hand-painted decorations, rich French designs, 112 pieces; never sold for less than \$15; Friday Price, \$17.50.

100 Glazed Jardinieres and Pedestals, assorted colors, retail value \$7.50 each; FOR ONE DAY ONLY, complete, \$3.69.

THOMAS PROBABLY SHOT HIMSELF.

DETECTIVES NOW SEARCHING FOR HIS BODY.

HE FIRED INTO HIS HEAD.

X-Ray Experiment Successful and the Bullet Removed From Annie Rausch.

Detectives who are searching for John Thomas, the man who shot Annie Rausch Tuesday night, have found a man who saw Thomas running across the vacant lot on Scott avenue after the wounded girl sank to the ground. This man says Thomas placed the revolver to his head and fired.

He says Thomas staggered after this and ran as one would expect from information many of the detectives believe Thomas' dead body will be found, and out-house in the vicinity of this vacant lot.

"But the man from now the people will elect 436 new precinct committeemen at primaries. I propose to make a fight from now on. I will be kept up. A monthly bulletin giving the outline of the work as it progresses will be issued for circulation among these clubs. We will be prepared for the fight two years hence. If we lost them, we will keep on fighting until we do win."

"No doubt, many Democrats stayed at home on election day in St. Louis because they believed the party divided. The bullet had nothing but defeat before it. The bullet split in the party destroyed an opportunity for a splendid victory. The sentiment of the people as expressed at the polls aimed at the Governor and the State in favor of Democratic principles. That was a tremendous victory in Chicago. Harrison won his big victory in Chicago was identical in many respects with Mr. Meriwether's platform in St. Louis and yet the regular Democrats in St. Louis clasp their hands over Carter Harrison's victory and at the same time denounce Mr. Meriwether as an Anarchist. Was a statement put to the Governor."

"Oh, well, Meriwether's platform was not so bad—I have nothing particularly to say against it," replied the Governor, "but I don't like Mr. Meriwether's methods. His bolting the convention and the crowd he got into, and all that, I do not commend."

The Governor made no further comments on the Meriwether platform. The reference to "Meriwether's methods" and the crowd he got into, will be construed by the politicians to mean that the Governor believed Meriwether got into bad company when he locked arms with Boss Butler.

Primary Election Officers' Pay. The Judges and Clerks of the primary elections will be paid Friday.

Busy Bee Bargain Day To-Morrow. Maple Sugar Wafers, 10 cents a pound.

HORSE FOR M'KINLEY.

Handsome Gift From a Cincinnati Millionaire.

Special to the Post-Dispatch. LEXINGTON, Ky., April 8.—Charles Fleischman, a Cincinnati millionaire, has purchased for President McKinley here a fine steady horse of the Denmark breed. Mr. Fleischman says the President will have the best horse in Washington. He has taken numerous first prizes in the show rings of Kentucky fairs.

To Puget Sound, Burlington Route.

UPHOLSTERY. One of those chances that thrifty housekeepers are quick to take advantage of comes just in the nick of time, for the house-renovating season has just begun—and how these bargain bits do brighten up a home!

200 Manufacturers' Sample Lace Curtain Ends; a great many styles, 12 1/2 inch wide, 45 and 40 inches wide, 19c. 20 pieces colored Canvas Cottage Drapery, 45 and 40 inches wide, colors fast; 40c quality; now 10c. 27 pieces Dotted Curtain Swags in Colored Dots and plain, also a lot of fancy stripes; our regular 50c quality; now 10c. 26 pieces Tapestry, Brocade, Satin Derby, and a large variety of different kinds of Furniture Coverings, Drapery materials, 50 inches wide, regularly sold at \$1.25 and \$1.50 yard; now 59c. 23 pieces English Wool Tapestry, Brocades, Neapolitan Velours, and choice selection of the best Furniture Coverings and Drapery materials made, ranging in prices from \$2.50 to \$4.00 yard; now \$1.25. N. B.—We strongly recommend an examination of these goods.

THIS CAME BARRWARD AND WE QUICKLY CLOSED THE DEAL.

100 pieces of 22-inch half wool Challies - - -

Just as pretty as their step sisters of all wool, will be placed on the bargain table to-morrow morning at 7c Per Yard. There's just about enough to last Friday and Saturday, real beauties that ought to sell at 18c per yard.

MILLINERY. Two Big Specials for Friday in this department, and when Barr's advertise a bargain it's here. We keep our promises to the public, the business policy that has led us to success for nearly half a century.

123 Trimmed Hats, \$2.50.

94 Trimmed Hats, \$3.50.

P. S.—These goods are marked at just about one-half value for FRIDAY.

Great Mid-Week Ribbon Sale

AT 1c YARD—A lot of No. 7 Double-faced Satins, also No. 9 Satin and Gros Grain Ribbons, 1 1/2 inch wide, 100 yards, 5c. Friday price, 1c (a yard). 15,000 yards of fine Silk Ribbons, including Moire 4 inches wide, plain Taffetas 4 1/2 inches wide, Moire with satin edges, 1 1/2 inch wide, Tulle, Gause-edge 1 1/2 inch wide, all colors, 1c. Double-faced Black Satins, and many other beautiful styles; all worth 4c and 5c a yard, at (yard) 25c.

AN IDEAL CONCERN.

"The Broadway," St. Louis' Great Furniture and House Furnishing Establishment Getting Ready to Open.

Tremendous activity marks the preparations for the opening of "The Broadway," St. Louis' brand-new furniture, carpet and house furnishing establishment (getting ready to open next week in the building recently occupied by the J. Hudson Co. corner Broadway and Locust street). St. Louis is to be changed. The new Broadway is a complete establishment where the householder may select the entire equipment for his home without leaving the building and at prices absolutely moderate and within the reach of every taste.

One of the prominent features of this immense establishment shows with a wonderful skill and industry have been made for all classes—low-priced furniture, medium-priced furniture and the unique high art house furnishings in modern furnishing stand out in bold relief on every hand. "The Broadway" is bound to be a success. Intending housekeepers will find very much to interest them in this great new establishment.

Opening announcement will be made in a few days. Watch our advertising columns for particulars.

RAILROADS FACETIOUS.

Alleged Wit and Sarcasm Aimed at the Supreme Court.

Special to the Post-Dispatch. WASHINGTON, D. C., April 8.—The railroad interests and utility of the treasurable crime of criticising the Supreme Court. In fact, they are endeavoring to circumvent the court by securing favorable action by Congress on the Foraker bill to permit post-ponement of the decision of the United States Supreme Court decision which declared such combinations illegal.

"Under the Sherman anti-trust law as decided by the United States Supreme Court, it is a question whether it is not a restraint to sell to a dealer who is a retailer upon the egg trade, and a combination with it is also illegal to kill cows, as to do so is a restraint to the milk trade, and may be a serious tax on parents who bring their children up on fresh milk."

"If railroads are to be compelled to surrender to the decision of the United States Supreme Court, then consolidation of roads will be tantamount to the same principle as the close of the next decade we may witness in this country four or five great systems of railroads through leases and purchases, instead of, as at present, several hundred of them."

When in need of bulletin signs, try Williamson of St. Louis.

STEEL PLANT SHUT DOWN.

Four Thousand Men Thrown Out by the Illinois Steel Co.

CHICAGO, Ill., April 8.—Four thousand men were forced out of employment by the closing of the works of the Illinois Steel Co. at South Chicago last night. This action was taken by the officials to head off a strike. Employees declare they will resist the lockout. Officials assert that the

Boys' and Children's Clothing Specials.

To make Friday and Saturday great economy days for boys and children.

Boys' Double-Breasted School Suits, 7 to 16 years, \$3.97.

Boys' Confirmation Suits, 8 to 16 years, in blue and black, Gray Flannels, Worsteds, Cheviots and Serges; a big variety to choose from; at \$4.47 and \$4.95.

Boys' Combination Suits, with extra pair of pants and cap, all to match, 6 to 15 years, \$4.85.

Suits of all-wool blue Cheviots, neatly trimmed and worth \$4.00, Friday and Saturday, \$1.98.

SIX BIG BARGAINS For Friday's Lucky Shoppers.

Bargain 1—Women's full regular-made fast black and tan Cotton Hose, double soles, high apicled heels and toes, Herve's brand, 17c.

Bargain 2—Women's Fast Black, full regular made Cotton Hose, double soles, high apicled heels and toes, elastic tops; Friday Sale, 25c.

Bargain 3—Boys' Bicycle black ribbed Cotton Hose, Barr's Empress fast black, very durable, and only 17c.

Bargain 4—Women's Ecu Ribbed Balbriggan Vests, V-shape neck, short sleeves, high apicled heels and toes, 12c.

Bargain 5—Women's Ecu Balbriggan Ribbed Vests, low neck, sleeveless neck and shoulder, high apicled heels and toes, 17c.

Bargain 6—Women's Ribbed Balbriggan Ecu and White Vests, high neck, long sleeves, high neck, short sleeves, Satin faced, Pearl Buttons, low neck, sleeveless, low neck, short sleeves, V-shape and square neck, all styles, 25c.

ANOTHER BARR BARGAIN IN LADIES' NECKWEAR.

You know what THAT means; breakfast a little earlier than usual Friday morning, for we intend to close them all out.

AT LESS THAN HALF PRICES.

25c Goods at 10c. \$1.00 Goods at 35c. 50c Goods at 25c. \$1.25 Goods at 60c.

\$1.50 Goods at 75c. EARLIEST WILL BE LUCKIEST.

ANOTHER ORBAT BARGAIN.

100 Glazed Jardinieres and Pedestals, assorted colors, retail value \$7.50 each; FOR ONE DAY ONLY, complete, \$3.69.

Kodaks, Bullets, Hawk Eyes, Bull's Eyes, Folding Cameras.

ERKER BROS. OPTICAL CO. 608 OLIVE ST.

BURIAL PERMITS.

The following deaths have been reported in the city during the twenty-four hours ending at noon:

JANE SMITH, 76, Female Hospital; senility.

JOSEPH YANCY, 25, City Hospital; homicide.

C. A. SCHMIDT, 70, 2740 Texas; pneumonia.

T. E. COX, 40, Missouri Pacific Hospital; abscess.

CAROLINE HERR, 34, Female Hospital; pneumonia.

MATTHIAS KULHANEK, 63, 711 Barry; hepatitis.

EDDIE MURRAY, 10 months, 2620 —; inanition.

MARY DAWNS, 43, 1113 O'Fallon; consumption.

HENRY VAN HOCK, 60, City Hospital; accident.

MATILDA S. VAN METER, 76, 1804 Pine; bronchitis.

WILLIAM MILLER, 25, 227 McNaught; consumption.

ANNA E. TINAN, 19, 469 Flad; consumption.

JOHN HERGET, 22, 506 South Seventh; pneumonia.

ROBERT AUSLEY, 55, City Hospital; consumption.

WM. JAMES, 38, Insane Asylum; softening of brain.

HAL MAYFIELD, 23, Levee and Franklin; accident.

REBECCA SOUTHWARD, 68, 3803 Fairfax; senile debility.

MARY ANN LEISSE, 73, 913 Morrison; senile debility.

EMMA HARRISON, 25, 2028 Baldwin; congestion of liver.

MARY KRAMER, 6 hours, 2028 Nebraska; premature birth.

ALBERTA SICKERS, 1, 428 North Nineteenth; erysipelas.

MARY BRINKMAN, 41, 1222 North Twelfth; myelitis.

ANNA BARTSCH, 68, 207 South Eleventh; senility.

ROBERT KASNEK, 29, 1306 South Third; consumption.

EDWARD M. ERECHER, 11 months, 1000 South Third; consumption.

COOK BENEVO CO., Chicago, Ill.



W. B. Sullivan, Secretary.



















